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- 1. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR INFORMATIVE REPORT ON YOUR MEETINGS ON THE HILL TO DISCUSS THE FISHING BOAT PROBLEM.
- 2. IT IS MOST PLEASING TO ME THAT YOU AND RUSS SURBER WERE ABLE TO TAKE THE TIME AND EFFORT TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH THE CONGRESSMEN AND THE SENATORS' STAFF OFFICERS. I AM AWARE THAT IT CAN BE SENSITIVE FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO ASK REPRESENT-ATIVES TO PASS DIFFICULT NEWS TO THEIR CONSTITUENTS, BUT IT IS MY PERSONAL OPINION THAT THIS IS A CASE WHERE TO DO SO IS CLEARLY WORTHWHILE. I SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT CONTINUED ATTEMPTS BY THE FLORIDA-BASED LOBSTER FISHERMEN TO FISH IN BAHAMIAN-CLAIMED WATERS WILL NOT ONLY WORK TO THE DETRIMENT OF OUR RELATIONS WITH THIS COUNTRY BUT RISK FURTHER CASUALTIES AND POSSIBLE LOSS OF LIFE.
- 3. AGAIN, YOUR PERSONAL INTEREST IN THIS PROBLEM AND ATTENTION TO IT ARE MOST SINCERELY APPRECIATED HERE. SCHWARTZ

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